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# COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 17, 2012

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## *2012 Fall Season Treaty Commercial Gillnet Fishery*

Season:	6:00 AM Tuesday September 18 to 6:00 PM Friday September 21 (3.5 days)
Area:	Zone 6 (SMCRA 1F,1G,1H)
Gear:	Gill nets. 8 inch minimum mesh size.
Sanctuaries	Standard River mouth and dam sanctuaries for gillnet gear will be in place. The Spring Creek hatchery sanctuary will be reduced to a 150 radius around the hatchery ladder.
Allowable Sales:	Possession and commercial sales of gillnet caught fish from this opening can only occur after 10:00 a.m. on September 18. Chinook, coho, steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence. Sockeye may not be retained for any purpose. Sturgeon from the Bonneville Pool (38 to 54 inches fork length) and from The Dalles and John Day Pools (43 to 54 inches fork length) may be retained for subsistence purposes.
Additional Rules:	<u>24-hour quick reporting</u> required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240 (d) (iii) When quick reporting is required, Columbia River reports must be submitted within 24 hours of closure of the designated fishery. Submission of a report is not complete until the report arrives at the designated department location. Reports can be made via fax at 360-906-6776 or 360-906-6777; via e-mail at <a href="mailto:crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov">crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov</a> ; or via phone at 1-866-791-1281. (e) Faxing a copy of each fish receiving ticket used, within the previously indicated time frames specified per area, satisfies the reporting requirement. (f) Violation of this subsection is a gross misdemeanor, punishable under RCW 77.15.630.

### **Future Hearings**

- A Compact hearing is scheduled via teleconference for 2:00 p.m. Tuesday September 25 to review treaty and non-treaty fisheries.